(b) The Ministry of Rural Development is implementing a demand driven National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme (NREGS) which provides a guarantee of 100 days of wage employment to each rural household including all Tribal population. In addition, the Ministry of Tribal Affairs has programmes on education, vocational training, income generation and infrastructure development benefiting all categories of Scheduled Tribes.

Development schemes for tribals

2929. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Tribal Cooperative Marketing Development Corporation (TRIFED) broadly aims to help the tribals to market their produce and also work towards the development of art and craft of tribals;

(b) if so, what has been the turnover of the sale proceeds in the tribal areas of Andhra Pradesh during the last three years;

(c) whether any financial support is provided to the tribal co-cooperative units of the State to meet the losses incurred during the sale of tribal products during the last three years;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (DR. RAMESHWAR ORAON) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The figures of procurement and sale of tribal products by TRIFED from Andhra Pradesh during the last three years are as under:

(Rs. in lakh)

Year	Purchases	Sale
2005-06	15.55	9.17
2006-07	25.59	7.66
2007-08	15.59	12.37

(c) TRIFED has no such Scheme.

(d) and (e) Does not arise.

Implementation of forest rights laws

†2930. SHRI SATYAVRAT CHATURVEDI: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Ministry has been drawn by the campaign for survival and Dignity towards the irregularities taking place in the implementation of forest rights laws in Chhattisgarh;

(b) if so, the details of complaints of the Campaign for Survival and Dignity; and

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(c) The steps taken by Government for redressal of these complaints?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (DR. RAMESHWAR ORAON) : (a) to (c) Yes Sir. The Ministry of Tribal Affairs has received a letter from the Campaign for Survival and Dignity, Dahanu Road,alleging serious irregularities in implementation of the Forest Rights Act, 2006 by the Government of Chhattisgarh and certain other States. The Ministry has taken up the matter with the Government of Chhattisgarh.

ST beneficiaries of ICDS

2931. MS. MABEL REBELLO : Will the Minister of WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of ST beneficiaries of ICDS in Jharkhand;

(b) the number of Anganwadis operational in the State, district-wise and block-wise;

(c) whether all these Anganwadis have adequate staff and if not, the shortfall thereof, block-wise and the reasons for not appointing sanctioned staff;

(d) whether all the Anganwadis have their own pucca buildings, if not, the reasons therefor;

(e) whether this ICDS programme has become universal in Jharkhand; and

(f) the details of pregnant and lactating mothers who are not given nutritional benefits with special reference to ST blocks of Chainpur and Dumri of Gumla district?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WOMEN AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY) : (a) There are 638985 [496083 children (0-6 years) and 142902 mothers] ST beneficiaries under ICDS Scheme in Jharkhand.

(b) 32343 Anganwadi Centres are operational in the State of Jharkhand. District-wise and Block-wise details of number of Anganwadis operational in Jharkhand are given in the enclosed Statement. (*See* below)

(c) Yes, Madam. All the Anganwadi Workers and helpers have been recruited and are in-position in all the operational Anganwadi Centres.

(d) No, Madam. The ICDS Scheme do not have any provision for construction of AWC buildings. However, Government of India had aproved the construction of AWC buildings under World Bank Assisted ICDS-III Project in a phased manner. 5580 Anganwadi Centres are running in pucca buildings out of sanctioned Anganwadi Centres. During 2007-08, an amount of Rs. 3.62 crore were given to the districts by the State and during 2008-09, an amount of Rs. 13.05 crore has been provisioned by the State Government of Jharkhand for the construction of AWCs.

(e) No, Madam. State Government has sent a proposal to Government of India to sanction 3538 AWCs and 2521 Mini-AWCs under 3rd phase of expansion of ICDS Scheme for universal coverage in Jharkhand.

(f) As per the directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court, BPL is no more the criteria for providing supplementary nutrition to children under ICDS Scheme. The State Government is ensuring to provide supplementary nutrition to all the registered beneficiaries at AWCs, and all the pregnant and lactating mothers are being benefited with supplementary nutrition, under the ICDS Scheme, in ST blocks of Chainpur and Dumari of Gumla district.